

FAITH WILL MOVE OUR MOUNTAINS
MESSAGE 4: FAITH IS A SPIRITUAL FORCE
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➤ **FOUNDATION:**

- **Matthew 21:21-22**
- **1 Timothy 6:12**
- **Ephesians 2:8 = Saved by Grace through Faith**
- **Force defined: power, might, active energy**

I. Basic Principles of Faith

- a. **Faith begins where the Will of God is Known**
- b. **Hebrews 11:6**
 - i. **Colossians 1:9-10**
- c. **What do you know and believe about God?**
 - i. **You must believe that God exists**
 - ii. **You must believe that God is Who He says He is**
 - iii. **You must believe that God is a Rewarder of those who diligently seek Him (the reward is not just heaven when we die)**
 - 1. **God's Wisdom**
 - 2. **Health**
 - 3. **Prosperity**
 - 4. **Protection**
- d. **Hebrews 11:1**
 - i. **3 very important principles of Faith**
 - 1. **What is Faith?**
 - 2. **How do we get, maintain and build Faith?**
 - 3. **How do we make our Faith work for us?**

II. Defining Faith

- a. **Hebrews 11:1 — Faith is: Substance, Evidence**
 - i. **Hebrews 11:1 [*Moffatt's Translation*] “Now faith means that we are confident of what we hope for, convinced of what we do not see”**

- ii. Heb 11:1 [*Amplified Classic Version*] NOW FAITH is the assurance (the confirmation, the title deed) of the things [*we*] hope for, being the proof of things [*we*] do not see *and* the conviction of their reality [*faith perceiving as real fact what is not revealed to the senses*].
 - 1. Faith is a firm conviction producing a full acknowledgement of God's Revealed Truth
 - 2. Acknowledgment is to know thoroughly, to confess, speak or declare that known knowledge
 - 3. "Faith is grasping the unrealities of hope and bringing them into the realm of *natural* reality." [Kenneth E Hagin]

III. What is Faith?

- a. Hebrews 11:1 [*Moffatt's Translation*] "Now faith means that we are confident of what we hope for, convinced of what we do not see"
 - i. Hope is an Expectation – what is your expectancy?
 - ii. A farmer plants corn seed with the expectation of growing, selling and eating corn – what does he need to do to get that corn?
 - 1. Plant Corn Seed
- b. Faith is giving substance to that hope (expectancy)
- c. Faith is your title deed – what you have been hoping for is now yours
- d. Faith grows from the Word of God [Romans 10:17]
- e. Faith is a living force that must be fed – it is fed by the Word of God
 - i. (Jeremiah 15:16) [*Amplified Classic Version*] Your words were found, and I ate them; and Your words were to me a joy and the rejoicing of my heart, for I am called by Your name, O Lord God of hosts.
 - ii. (Job 23:12) [*Amplified Classic Version*] I have not gone back from the commandment of His lips; I have esteemed *and* treasured the words of His mouth more than my necessary food.